



**MARCH
2022**

The Shorelines

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Manager's Message: Spring is in the air – March 20th is the official first day of spring. Just as you are looking forward to getting outside to get things spruced up around the house, our DPW staff is preparing to get things ready for spring events at our beautiful park. The DPW is getting the outdoor equipment ready and planning to work with our fantastic Beatification Committee members to prepare the plantings of flowers and gardens. If you have not done so, you can get involved with the GPS Beautification Committee by being a participant of the "Sponsor A Garden Project". If interested, please stop by, or call the administrative offices for more details.

Spring for the administrative staff means budget time. This is when we begin the task of preparing for the 22-23 budget. It sets the course of where the city is heading and how we are going to get there. This is **your** opportunity to get involved with your elected officials and administrative staff to share what you would like to see as a resident. There will be finance committee and council meetings where we will be discussing our revenues and expenditures in detail. All members of the public are invited to attend those meetings and provide their suggestions and concerns. The dates are posted on our website, newsletter, and some dates are in the calendar.

Finally, to reach out to the community that cannot make our meetings, I am seeking volunteers on each street that would like to hold a "coffee clutch" meeting at their home with their neighbors. I would come and provide budget and project documents and have open discussions about city issues and answer questions the group might have. If you are interested in hosting a meeting, please reach out to me at 313-881-6565. Have a great month of March.

Steve Poloni
City Manager

Board of Review Dates

The Board of Review may consider property owners' assessment appeals by letter or in person (appointments preferred) on the following days:

**Monday, March 14th 1:30PM– 9:00PM &
Monday, March 21st 9:00AM—Noon**

You may schedule an appointment by calling (313) 881-6565 once you receive your notice in the mail

March Happenings

- 1 Request/plans for 3/22 Planning Commission Meeting must be submitted by this date
- 5 1:00 PM Weather Siren Test
- 8 10:00 AM Finance Meeting via zoom
4:00 PM Parks Committee Meeting via zoom
7:00 PM Harbor Committee Meeting via zoom
- 13 Daylight savings Time Begins— Turn clocks ahead one hour
- 14 Board of Review, 1:30 PM—9:00 PM Call 881-6565 to schedule an appointment
- 15 7:00 PM Council Meeting
- 21 Board Of Review 9:00 AM—Noon Call 881-6565 to schedule an appointment
7:00 PM GPSIF Annual Meeting followed by Trustee Meeting
- 22 9:00 AM Planning Commission Meeting
- 28 Garden Rubbish Collection Begins

*MARK YOUR
CALENDAR!*

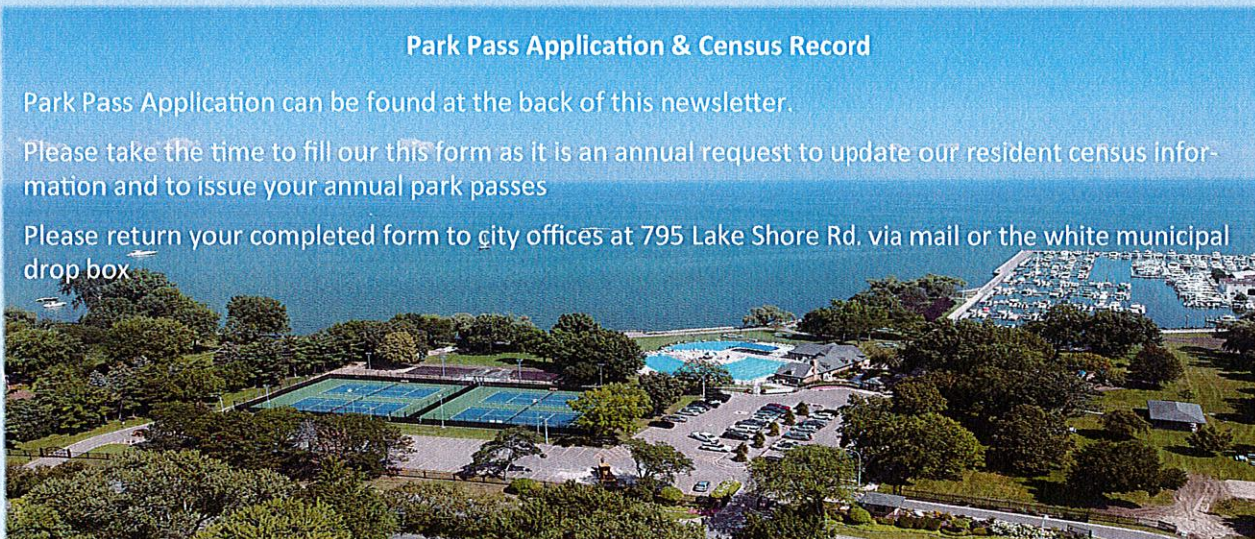
Hazardous Waste Drop Off Day will be held Saturday, April 16th 9:00 am– 2:00 pm
Neff Park, Grosse Pointe City

Park Pass Application & Census Record

Park Pass Application can be found at the back of this newsletter.

Please take the time to fill out this form as it is an annual request to update our resident census information and to issue your annual park passes

Please return your completed form to city offices at 795 Lake Shore Rd. via mail or the white municipal drop box



For up to date village information please visit the Grosse Pointe Shores website,
www.gpshoresmi.gov



Grosse Pointe Shores Department of Public Safety

(313) 881-5501

FAX (313) 881-2621

KENNETH V. WERENSKI, CHIEF

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One of the unique aspects of living in Grosse Pointe Shores is our resident's ability to co-habit with other species. This co-habitation is nothing new, coyotes and foxes have lived in Grosse Pointe Shores well before I started 30 years ago. Today, the Public Safety Department still receives calls from residents when one of these wild animals is seen trotting down Lake Shore Road or living under a homeowner's backyard deck. Between January and March is the time when coyotes mate, and their litters can produce 4 - 7 pups. After birth the pack will stay together for approximately 8 months, then they will disperse because an adult coyote requires 2 -10 miles of food source. Here are ten facts about "urban" coyotes that will assist you in co-habituating.

1. Coyotes do live in urban areas. When coyotes locate food and shelter, they will adapt to their surroundings and become comfortable.

2. Coyote dens are hard to find. Dens are typically found tucked away in shrubbery or in a wooded area and have multiple entrances. Coyotes have been known to take up refuge under or in storage sheds or garages. Often, coyotes have more than one den for security purposes.

3. Coyotes live in family packs. After a litter is born the mother and father will care for the pups for about 8 months, then the pack will disperse. Each adult coyote needs 2 - 10 miles of food source.

4. Coyotes mate for life. The coyote is a loyal species and in the urban environment this partnership is important to their survival. Together they can better provide food sources, shelter, and care for their pups. When you see one adult coyote, there is usually two.

5. Coyotes don't eat domestic animals. Despite urban legend that coyotes eat dogs and cats, this is not true. Research indicates that coyotes prefer rodents and local fruit before your cat or dog.

6. Coyotes are diurnal and nocturnal. Urban coyotes have made a behavioral change because of humans. Coyotes will hunt in the day if food sources are low, or their pups need more. However, they prefer the night and reported seen more at night.

7. Coyotes reduce the fecal cat population. Data proves that the free roaming cat population is extraordinarily high and so are their numbers for disease. Coyotes naturally keep the fecal cat population in check.

8. Coyotes control the rodent population. Their primary food source are rodents. And this is a direct benefit to homeowners (mice / rats).

9. Easiest way to avoid the coyote? Don't feed them. Coyotes have a natural fear of humans, if you feed them that fear dissipates, and they will approach you for that food source.

10. Coyotes are here to stay. A common response from the community is trap or use lethal force to control their presence. However, experience has proven that lethal force and relocating the coyote are not the answer. If you remove one coyote another will take its place. If a community wants to limit or reduce the number of coyotes living there the easiest thing to do is to allow the existing coyote to establish their territories naturally. This theory reduces coyotes by limiting their population through territorial boundaries. Coyotes will not cross into another coyote's territory. Additionally, don't leave food sources around your property.

Kenneth V. Werenski
Director of Public Safety



SAVE THE DATE



Picnic Reservations



Beginning Friday, April 1st Park Party Reservations will begin. Reservations will be taken at the park gate house. Picnic reservation forms can be found on our website www.gpshoresmi.gov under parks. The Pavilion rental fee is \$25 plus a refundable \$150 cleaning deposit.



Requirements: CPR, First Aid, and Completion of Lifeguard Training (before season starts) To locate a class near you please visit www.redcross.org

For more information email Jserra@gpshoresmi.gov



2022 Sponsor a Garden Project

The Grosse Pointe Shores Beautification Committee invites you to sponsor or re-sponsor a garden for 2022. Your tax deductible donation will help purchase annuals or perennials. For more information please see the sponsor form at the back of the newsletter.

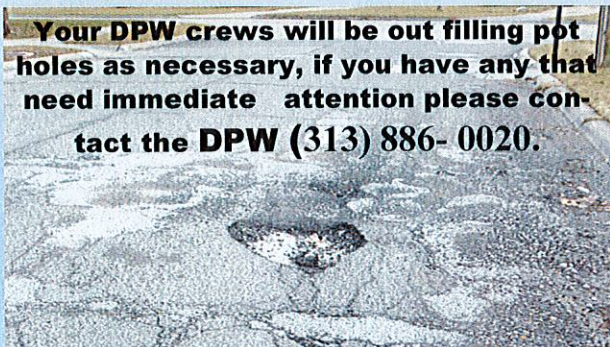
PUBLIC WORKS UPDATE



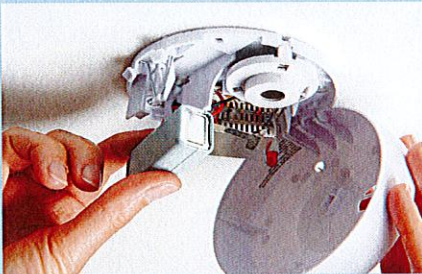
Curbside Garden Rubbish begins Monday, March 28th.

This is a seasonal service which will end December 2nd.

Yard Clippings and garden rubbish must be placed at the curb in appropriate paper bags for collection on your scheduled day. Tree limbs and branches (brush) must be placed at the curb in lengths of four feet.



Remember do not pour/empty anything into the street or the catch basins. Not only is it bad for the environment it is illegal



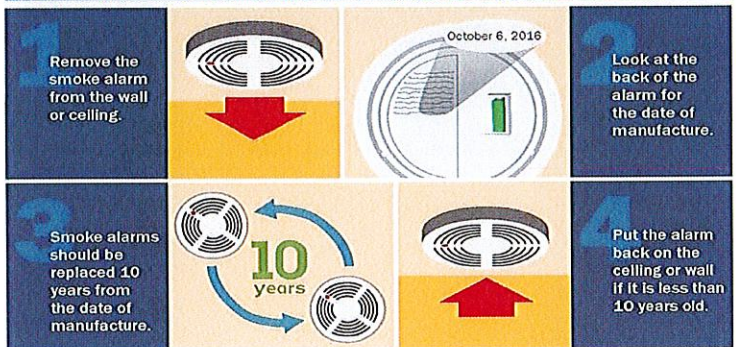
Change the clock change your battery!

Spring forward: Sunday, March 13th

And while you are at it be sure to check the manufacturer date on your smoke alarm, it may be time for a new one.

Don't Wait — Check the Date!
Replace Smoke Alarms Every 10 Years

Age matters when it comes to your smoke alarms. Check the manufacture dates on your smoke alarms today!



A closed door may slow the spread of smoke, heat and fire.



Test smoke alarms at least once a month by pushing the test button.



If the smoke alarm sounds, get outside and stay outside. Go to your outside meeting place.



Install smoke alarms in every bedroom, outside each separate sleeping area, and on every level of the home, including the basement. Larger homes may need more alarms. For the best protection, make sure all smoke alarms are interconnected. When one sounds, they all sound.



Call the fire department from a cellphone or a neighbor's phone. Stay outside until the fire department says it's safe to go back inside.

For more information about smoke alarms, visit usfa.fema.gov and www.nfpa.org.

U.S. Fire
Administration

FEMA

NFPA

NFPA

Watch your mail for a mailer on the GFL Rewards Program

GPS Telephone Directory

City Administration: 881-6565
Department of Public Safety: 881-5500
Department of Public Works: 886-0020
Municipal Park Gate: 884-7018
Court Office: 881-5503
Pool Office: 884-2305



Emergencies Only: Call or Text 911
TDD Unit 343-0666 (for the hearing impaired)

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Harold Michaux, Grounds Supervisor

Brian Renaud, City Attorney

Pete Bierzynski, Assessor
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GPS Administrative Office hours:

Monday—Friday 8:30 am to 5:00 pm

DPW: Monday—Friday 7:30 am to 4:00 pm

Public Safety: Open 24 Hours

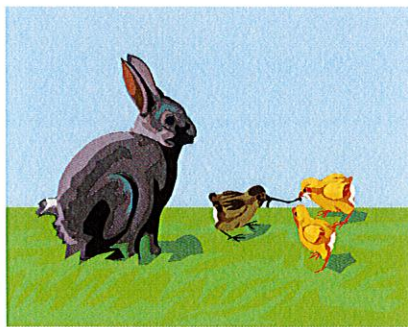
Watch our monthly Council Meeting on our
[website gpshoresmi.gov](http://gpshoresmi.gov)

HOP ON DOWN

To the
Grosse Pointe Shores
EASTER EVENT
SAT, APRIL 9, 2022

10 to 11:30 a.m.
at the Grosse Pointe Shores
Municipal Park

- Ages 10 and Under -



EASTER EGG HUNT

PETTING ZOO
& PONY RIDES

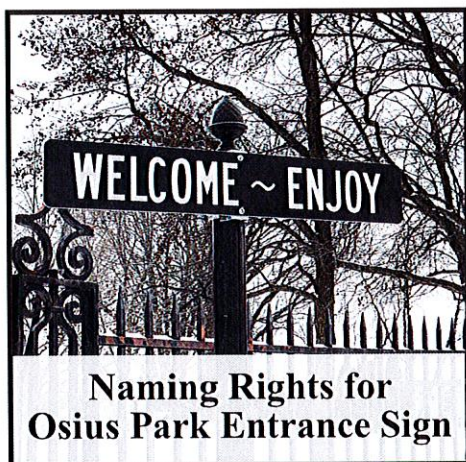
REFRESHMENTS

TREAT BAGS

RESIDENTS & THEIR GUESTS
TICKETS \$5 FOR AGES 10 & UNDER
Available in advance at City Offices or
At the Park Gate Day of Event

The Grosse Pointe Shores Improvement Foundation Osius Park Raffle 2022!

Enter to Win



(No business names on sign)



WIN

Raffle Prizes



BONUS!!!

The sign is yours to keep when removed in May 2023

Prizes are valid May 30, 2022 thru May 28, 2023

Only 100 tickets available

Tickets are \$50.00 each or 3 for \$100.00

Winning tickets will be drawn May 9, 2022 8:00pm at the GPSIF meeting

795 Lake Shore Road, Grosse Pointe Shores

You need not be present to win

Visit GPSIF.org to purchase tickets • credit cards and paypal accepted
or use the **TICKET ORDER FORM** below

Call 881-6565 for more information

Ticket Order Form

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Number of Tickets: _____ Osius Park Entrance Sign ☐ \$50.00 ☐ 3 for \$100.00
Total: _____

Number of Tickets: _____ Personal Parking Space ☐ \$50.00 ☐ 3 for \$100.00
Total: _____

Please make checks payable to Grosse Pointe Shores Improvement Foundation

Send completed form with check to: RAFFLE 2022

795 Lake Shore Road

Grosse Pointe Shores, MI 48236



Village of Grosse Pointe Shores
795 Lake Shore Rd.
Grosse Pointe Shores, MI 48236
313-881-6565

2022 Census Record



Designation of an Emergency Contact



Park Pass Application



This is an annual request for resident information. All information submitted is confidential and used for census records, emergency contacts, and the creation of annual park passes. Your cooperation in accurately completing this form is appreciated and helpful to city operations. Please return your completed forms to city offices at 795 Lake Shore Rd. via mail or the white drop box located in the city offices parking lot.

Guidelines for Submission of 2022 Census Information

- * All individuals residing in the household must be listed.
Do not list anyone that does not permanently reside in the home.
- * The Village of GP Shores reserves the right to request verification of residency, and will accept a valid driver's license, state ID, voter registration card, or a GPPSS report card as evidence of such. Residency verification is mandatory for any individual with a change of address and for any individual over the age of 25 residing in the home who is not designated as a head of household.

Guidelines for Designation of an Emergency Contact

- * Emergency Contacts will only be notified in the event of an emergency where the resident cannot be reached.

Guidelines for Resident Park Passes

- * Residents must complete an application annually.
- * Passes will only be issued to qualified residents. Qualified residents are defined as 2 designated heads of household and minor children/adult dependents between the ages of 8 years old and 24 years old.
- * ***Any adult dependent over the age of 25 residing in the home must submit proof of residency with the completed application.*** The Village of GP Shores will accept a photocopy of a valid driver's license, a photocopy of a state ID, or a photocopy of a voter registration card attached to the application.
- * Caregiver Passes will be issued upon request for a designated caregiver to minor children, or elderly residents in need of assistance. The Village of GP Shores may request proof of employment. Caregiver passes do not include guest privileges. Caregivers must be accompanied by the designated resident they care for.
- * Providing fraudulent information to obtain additional park passes or use of park passes by anyone other than the person to whom the pass was issued will result in confiscation of passes, and a potential loss of pass privileges to the household for one year.
- * It is mandatory to present a valid park pass to the gate attendant to obtain entry into the park. Gate attendants have the right to request a photo id that corresponds with the issued park pass at their discretion.
- * Lost passes will be replaced for a \$5 service fee.
- * Any incomplete applications or applications requiring additional verification will be returned to the residents with detailed instructions as to how to proceed with the application process.

**** Once the park pass application has been approved, passes will be mailed to the residents beginning April 5th. ****

**** Please complete the application on the reverse side of this document. ****

**** Any questions, please contact city offices. ***

2022 Census Record



Designation of an Emergency Contact



Park Pass Application



Street Number & Name		
City, State, Zip Code (If different than GPS)		
Land Line Number		
Primary Email Address		
Year Moved In		
Emergency Contact Name (Outside of Household)		
Emergency Contact Phone Number		Relationship to Resident:

PLEASE CIRCLE APPROPRIATE PARK PASS TYPE

HOMEOWNER

TENANT OR

BORDER PROPERTY

BOATER/NON-RESIDENT

Well # _____

COURTESY OR

EMPLOYEE

Head of Household			
First Name	Last Name	Date of Birth	Cell Phone #
1.			
2.			
All Minor Children & Adult Dependents (up to 24 years of age.)			
First Name	Last Name	Date of Birth	
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			
Adult Dependents over the age of 25			
Proof of residency must be attached – please see reverse side for details			
First Name	Last Name	Date of Birth	
1.			
2.			
Caregiver to Minor Children or Elderly Residents			
First Name	Last Name	Designated to Care For:	
1.			

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY – Do not mark below this line					
DATE ENTERED		CENSUS UPDATED		RESIDENT'S SIGNATURE & DATE OF RECEIPT	
DATE MAILED		CLERK INITIALS		IF PASS IS NOT MAILED/PICKED UP IN PERSON - Clerk Initials	
				X	



SPONSOR A GARDEN PROJECT

The Grosse Pointe Shores Beautification Committee invites you to sponsor or re-sponsor a garden for 2022. Your tax-deductible donation will help to purchase annuals and/or perennials or bulbs for one of the gardens or lamp-post pots throughout the village. In return, that garden will be planted with you recognized on a garden tile as its sponsor for a full year's growing season: from late-May until late-May. Gardens may be sponsored in memory or honor of another person.

Sponsorships range in cost from \$100-\$200, with 80% offered at the \$100 level. Costs are determined by several factors, including the size of the garden and the number of seasons it is planted.

If you would like to sponsor a garden for 2022, please return this form to Lynn Michaux at the Administrative Office or contact her at (313) 881-6565.

SPONSOR-A-GARDEN PROGRAM: 2022 SPONSORSHIP FORM

Send to: Village of Grosse Pointe Shores, Attn: Lynn Michaux
795 Lake Shore Road, Grosse Pointe Shores, MI 48236
(313) 881-6565

Name, address & phone: _____

Garden sponsored: _____

Sponsorship fee: _____ (Please make checks payable to: Village of
Grosse Pointe Shores)

Thank you so much for aiding in our beautification efforts!

REQUEST FOR PARK PARTY

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

DATE: _____ DAY OF WEEK: _____

TIME: _____ #OF PERSONS: _____

SWIM : YES: _____ NO: _____
*(Proper Swim Attire required)

TENT: YES: _____ NO: _____

TYPE OF GROUP: _____

GUEST LIST RECEIVED: YES: _____ TO FOLLOW: _____

LOCATION: _____

(Specify location as: Peninsula, volleyball area, basketball area, playscape area, gatehouse area, baby pool #1, baby pool #2, baby pool #3 or Pavilion)

*Monday - Friday (Weekdays) Maximum of 100 Persons per event
Saturday/Sunday (Weekends) Maximum of 75 Persons per event
(Please Note General Park Rules)

RESIDENT SIGNATURE: _____

APPROVED BY: _____

*Pavilion reservations require a \$25 usage fee & \$150 refundable deposit upon time of reservation.

**For National Coney Island catering for parties of 50 or more please call 586-771-7744, Ext. #123

****IF THE EMERGENCY SIREN SOUNDS DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER, YOU WILL BE ASKED TO EVACUATE THE PARK**